# LAFOURCHE PARISH

Residents in Lafourche strongly support recovery planning that is focused on storm protection. Their priorities include establishing an elevated roadway to Port Fourchon, restoring coastal wetlands and improving levee protection.

## WHEN WILL WE RETURN?

35% Safer than before

35% Same level of safety as before

30% Move back now



### **Effects of Katrina and Rita**

Major damage to the port, LA 1 and 5,000 homes resulted from landfall of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. Since the hurricanes, the parish experienced an increase of 1,761 persons and has had fluctuating employment.

### **PARISH TOP PRIORITIES:**

- #1 Make reconstruction jobs/training more available
- #2 Build better levees & other hurricane protection
- #3 Provide a better public transportation system

# ...our coastal fishing areas and our bayous.

### **WE STRONGLY AGREE**

- **90%** Zoning and land use plans should be used to guide rebuilding
- **85%** We should prioritize flood protection over other needs
- **83%** Public buildings should not be rebuilt in high-risk areas
- **81%** We should rebuild in low-risk areas first
- **75%** Changing our parish plans is an option if it makes the region stronger.
- **70%** We should ensure that residents can return to their original home sites



